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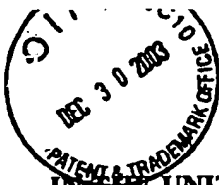


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In re application of: Shogo ISHIOKA et al. Group Art Unit: 2858
 Serial Number: 10/069,522 Examiner: Donald M. Lair
 Filed: May 29, 2002 Confirmation No.: 9372
 For: INSPECTION APPARATUS AND INSPECTION METHOD
 Customer No. 38834

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: December 30, 2003

Sir:


Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 30, 2003 for 3 month(s) from October 30, 2003 to December 30, 2003.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$410.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-866.

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Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR REFUND

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a refund of \$265.00 for (a) overpayment of fees and for (b) an erroneous deposit account charge.

In response to an Office Action dated July 30, 2003, Applicants filed an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 on December 30, 2003. Because December 30, 2003 was the final day of the two-month extended response period, Applicants included a check for \$410.00 for a two-month extension of time. Applicants attach herewith a copy of the date-stamped return post card that indicates receipt of the check. Upon review of the file, Applicants noted that the assignee for the present application had already been established as a small entity, as indicated on the attached Notice of Acceptance of Application under 35 U.S.C. §371, and therefore should have only paid \$210.00 for the two-month extension of time. Applicants request that the Patent Office refund the difference, \$200.00, to Deposit Account 50-2866.

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Further, a deposit charge of \$65.00 was subsequently charged on January 6, 2004. The basis for this charge was apparently that Applicants should have paid for a three-month extension of time for a small entity. Applicants do not recognize this charge for anything that has been filed in the referenced application. A copy of the Deposit Account monthly statement dated January 30, 2004 accompanies this Request.

Applicants request that the Patent Office refund the amount of \$265.00 to Deposit Account 50-2866. This amount includes \$200.00 for an overpayment of the second month extension and \$65.00 for the amount erroneously charged to the deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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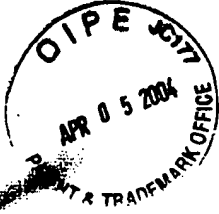
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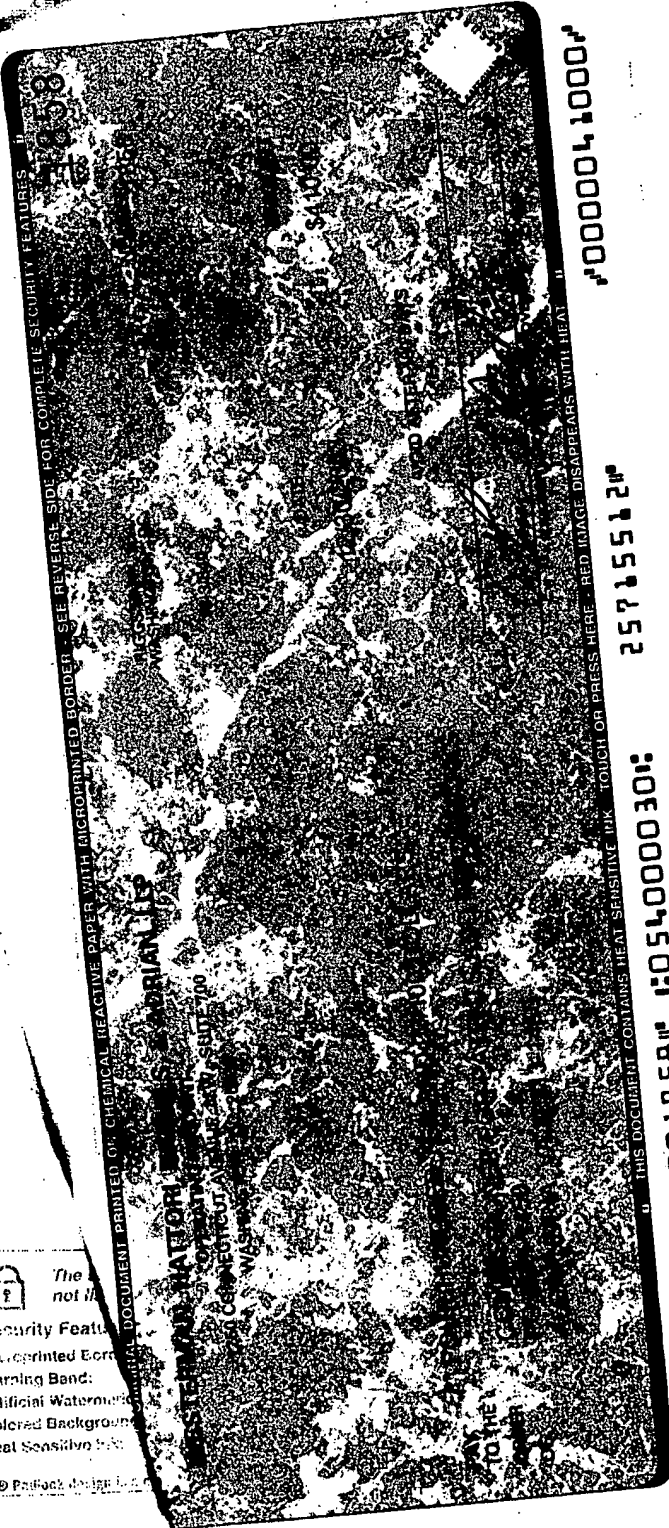
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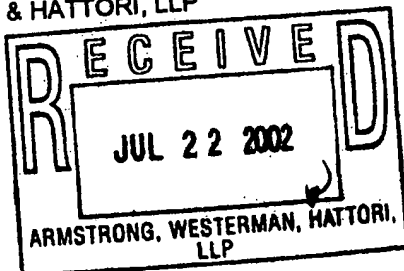
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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.494 OR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

05/29/2002
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 REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE "FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** *The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363).* Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- U.S. Basic National Fee
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Oath or Declaration
- Request for Immediate Examination
- Small Entity Statement

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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